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Date: 26 Dec 89 06:27:20 GMT

From: snorkelwacker!usc!pollux.usc.edu!kjh@BLOOM-BEACON.MIT.EDU (Kenneth J. Hendrickson N8DGN)

Subject: ARRL

Message-ID: <21968@usc.edu>

In article <339@ssc.UUCP> tad@ssc.UUCP (Tad Cook) writes:

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I am sitting on my hands. I am sitting on my hands.

In the rare case that original ideas  
are found here, I am responsible.  
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Subject: W1AW: Computer-generated QRM ?  
Message-ID: <338@ssc.UUCP>

The problem with W1AW coming on and asking if the frequency is in use before transmitting bulletins is that they do this simultaneously on EIGHT BANDS. Of course, no one OWNS a frequency, but they have been doing this on a regularly scheduled basis on the same frequencies since before I was born. It would be a lot nicer for them to ask first, but I am not sure how practical it is.

73,  
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Date: 26 Dec 89 02:57:06 GMT  
From: att!chinet!megabyte@ucbvax.Berkeley.EDU (Dr. Megabyte)  
Subject: Willing to Trade my Icom R-71A for Kenwood R5000  
Message-ID: <1989Dec26.025706.528@chinet.chi.il.us>

I have a Icom R71A receiver with the 250Khz CW filter and the Icom C64 High stability crystal unit I would like to trade for a Kenwood R5000.

The Icom has just been tested and benched by Electronic Equipment Bank in Vienna, VA and has and continues to be a fine performer for catching weak signals, DX'ing, and cutting out just about any type of noise you can imagine.

Why do I want to trade it for a R5000? All my friends have a R5000, I own an old Kenwood R600, and in general, I like the operation and ergonomics of the Kenwood products better.

I got the Icom at a wonderful price, but still prefer Kenwood products. So, if anyone is willing to talk trade, I'd like to listen. I'd pay shipping on both ends and would be open to either a straight one-for-one trade, or a trade plus equipment or cash... from either of us.

Make me an offer, let's see if you can make me a deal.

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aka Dr. Megabyte: megabyte@chinet.chi.il.us (703) 667-5203  
"We're very kinky, in a Republican sort of way." - Sue Pauloz

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Date: 25 Dec 89 14:25:45 GMT  
From: att!tsdiag!ka2qhd!wb2hbz@ucbvax.Berkeley.EDU (Jim Dockery Kinnelon NJ)  
Subject: Xmas Toys and Part 15  
Message-ID: <68@ka2qhd.UUCP>

With all of the discussion over the last several months regarding Part 15 and what was attempted at being done about it, I thought the following posting from items retrieved from Christmas toys might be of interest.

Now that all of the toys have been delivered and are well on their way to total destruction, I thought you would be interested in the following that I gathered up from two of the toys my son received for Christmas.

What struck me funny was the different wording used by the two manufacturers. Although some of the sentences appear to have the same structure, apparently for legal reasons, Tyco seems to say a little more, and more accurately, than Mattel. Mattel's even contained a typo duplicated here ("Subpart J or Part 15"). Yes I did proofread it although they did not.

Another thing I liked was the reference to seeing the dealer. Although this could mean seeing the dealer for the radio/tv, it implies also the seeing of the toy dealer.

Can you really picture an indepth discussion of Part 15 and RFI with someone at Toys 'R Us?

With regard to relocating the device away from the receiver, if you heard these things you might suggest relocating them to the next state.

Have a good and safe holiday.

73, Jim Dockery, WB2HBZ

The following was quoted directly from the pamphlets included with the toys. Typos are duplicated verbatim.

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>From Mattel, Inc., the following was included with a toy named "He-Man Powrsword":

This product generates and uses radio frequency energy and if not used properly may cause interference to radio and television reception. It has been type tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B computing device in accordance with the specifications in Subpart J or Part 15 of FCC Rules, which are designed to provide reasonable protection against such interference. However, there is no guarantee that interference will occur. If this equipment does cause interference to radio or television reception, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

Reorient the receiving antenna.

Relocate the product with respect to the receiver.

Move the product away from the receiver.

If necessary, the user should consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for additional suggestions.

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>From Tyco Industries, Inc., the following was included with a toy named "Hot Lixx," a toy electronic guitar:

This product generates and uses radio frequency energy and if not installed and used properly, that is, in strict accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, may cause interference to radio and television reception. It has been type tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B computing device in accordance with the specifications in Subpart J of Part 15 of FCC Rules, which are designed to provide reasonable protection against such interference in a residential installation.

However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

Reorient the receiving antenna; Relocate the computer with respect to the receiver; Move the computer away from the receiver; Plug the computer into a different outlet so that computer and receiver are on different branch circuits.

If necessary, the user should consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for additional suggestions. The user may find the following booklet prepared by the Federal Communications Commission helpful: "How to Identify and Resolve Radio-TV Interference Problems."

This booklet is available from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., 20402, Stock No. 004-000-00345-4.

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